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Re: **STB Finance Docket No. 29653 (Sub-No. 9)
Providence and Worcester Railroad Company – Pooling of Car
Service Regarding Multi-Level Cars**

Dear Secretary Williams:

We represent the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company ("P&W"), which is seeking authority to become a signatory to the multi-level/auto parts car pooling agreement, as amended through June 30, 1995 (the "Agreement").

The Agreement was originally approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission in *The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, et al. – Pooling of Car Service Regarding Multi-Level Cars*, Finance Docket No. 29653 (ICC served August 19, 1981). The Agreement provides for the participating railroads to pool services related to the multi-level cars used to transport motor vehicles and back boxcars used to transport auto bail parts. As relevant here, P&W would participate in the pooling arrangement with respect to the movement of multi-level railcars between an automobile staging facility located at Davisville, Rhode Island and its connections with various railroads, and its participation in the Agreement will provide better service to the public through enhanced efficiency of rail operations and will not unreasonably restrain competition. Accordingly, P&W seeks Board approval to join the Agreement.



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We have attached a check in the amount of \$8,300.00 to cover the filing fee of this matter and are serving both the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Agreement and the Association of American Railroads with a copy of this request.

If you have any questions concerning this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'E. D. Greenberg', written over a horizontal line.

Edward D. Greenberg

Enclosure

cc: Mary Tanona, Esq.
Frank Rogers

David Julian (Executive Committee Chairman)
Dan Saphire (AAR)
Ted Grabbe (TTX Company)